Wetlands Protection Act Permit Forms

Notary Block No Longer Required for Wetlands Permits

• WPA Form 1: Request for Determination of Applicability

This process enables the applicant to seek a determination of whether the provisions of the Wetlands Protection Act apply to a particular land area, determine the boundaries of a wetland resource area, or other circumstances under which proposed work would be regulated by the Act.

WPA Form 2: Determination of Applicability (Conservation Commission issues this.)

This form records which provisions of the Wetlands Protection Act and regulations apply to a proposed project.

WPA Form 3: Notice of Intent

The Wetlands Protection Act prohibits the removal, dredging, filling, or altering of wetlands without a permit. A Notice of Intent is required to obtain such a permit. Revised September 2014 (updated mailing address for Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program). This form is also available for electronic filing via <u>eDEP Online Filing</u>.

WPA Form 4: Abbreviated Notice of Intent

This form simplifies filing requirements for projects which are likely to result in limited impacts to wetland resource areas. Revised September 2014 (updated address for Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program).

• WPA Form 4A: Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation

This form provides a procedure for an applicant to confirm the delineation of a bordering vegetated wetland. Electronic filing is also available via <u>eDEP Online Filing</u>.

WPA Form 4B: Order of Resource Area Delineation ((Conservation Commission issues this.)

This form is for use by Conservation Commissions in response to a request for resource area delineation. Electronic filing is also available via <u>eDEP Online Filing</u>.

WPA Form 5: Order of Conditions (Conservation Commission issues this.)

This form is for use by Conservation Commissions when issuing an Order of Conditions to an applicant under the Wetlands Protection Act. Revised November 2014 in accordance with revisions to the Wetlands Protection Act Regulations, 310 CMR 10.00. Electronic filing is also available via eDEP Online Filing; note, however, that the eDEP version has not yet been updated to reflect the November 2014 revisions.

WPA Form 5A: Restoration Order of Conditions

This form is to be used for projects designed to address ecological restoration for dam removal, freshwater culvert repair or replacement; culvert replacement to improve tidal flow; stream daylighting; restoration of rare-species habitat; and fish-passage improvement. November 2014.

WPA Form 6: Notice of Non-Significance (Conservation Commission issues this.)

This form is used to record a Conservation Commission's determination that a proposed project does not require an Order of Conditions because the project does not significantly impact an area identified in the Wetlands Protection Act.

WPA Form 7: Extension Permit for Order of Conditions (Conservation Commission issues this.)

This form records the approved extension of an **unexpired** Order of Conditions.

WPA Form 8a: Request for Certificate of Compliance

Upon completion of the work authorized in an Order of Conditions, the property owner must request a Certificate of Compliance from the issuing authority stating that the work or portion of the work has been satisfactorily completed.

WPA Form 8b: Certificate of Compliance (Conservation Commission issues this.)

A Certificate of Compliance is issued upon full or partial completion of work authorized in an Order of Conditions, or if the work never commenced and a new Notice of Intent and Order of Conditions are required.

• WPA Form 9: Enforcement Order (Conservation Commission issues this.)

Notice of activity in violation of the Wetlands Protection Act and required corrective action(s).

Wetlands Protection Act Emergency Certification Form (Conservation Commission issues this.)

Certification for work in a resource area resulting from a natural disaster or other emergency.

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